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Sir:

On May 5, 2011, Applicant's representative, Chris J. Volkmann, conducted an interview with Examiner Stroder. Applicant's representative and the Examiner discussed the present claims in view of the cited references. Applicant's representative pointed out several features of the claims that are believed to be neither taught nor suggested by the cited references. For instance, Applicant's representative contended that the cited Beran reference discloses a centralized system and does not teach or suggest an index stored on a data store remote from a replier and RFQs generated by an RFQ generator resident at a requestor as claimed. No agreement was reached. Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for her time and consideration in conducting the interview.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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